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Consideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The title of the application is being amended to better describe the invention being claimed. The specification has been amended at page 1 to identify that this application is a U.S. National Phase Application under 35 USC 371 of International Application PCT/JP2004/015160. No new matter has been added.

The claims have been amended to delete multiple dependencies and to make some minor grammatical improvements. New claims 9-20 were added. Claim 9 is based on claim 3 but depends from claim 2. Claim 10 is based on claim 4 but depends from claim 9. Claims 11-15 are based on claim 5 but depend from claims 2, 3, 4, 9 and 10 respectively. Claims 17-19 are based on claim 6 but depend from claims 3, 4 and 5 respectively. Claim 20 is based on claim 7 but depends from claim 2. No new matter has been added.

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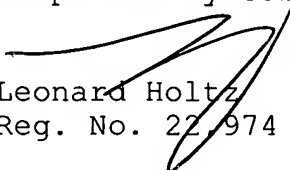
In view of the foregoing, entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

Preliminary Amendment

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

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